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ON THE COVER...

Cover photo by Tara Grealish

Glitter is a Certified Hearing Dog living in California with Noni S. The yellow lab found her way to us from Guide Dogs for the Blind. Glitter and Noni are very busy starting a new Hearing Loss Association of America chapter. See page 10.



LETTER FROM BLAKE MATRAY



Since our last issue in December:

- We've rescued 14 dogs: two have been trained and placed as Hearing Dogs; and 10 as Career Change Dogs. As part of our lifelong commitment to all of our program dogs and the people we serve, we have followed up with 14 of the people who have recently adopted Career Change Dogs.
- We have also visited and followed up with five Hearing Dog and client teams in their homes in Tennessee, Alabama and Florida.
- Throughout the United States, we have traveled to do home interviews with four Hearing Dog applicants.

This spring issue of *The Canine Listener* is reflective of the spring season ... new life and growth! Here at Dogs for the Deaf, we've been busy all winter making refinements to our Autism Assistance Dog Program, to expand the number of lives we touch and plan for the future growth of our organization. It's all new, fresh and exciting!

Last month, with help from the Powell Foundation, the Cheney Foundation and the Glide Foundation, Dogs for the Deaf was able to complete the purchase of a large dog transport vehicle (See page 12). This new diesel Sprinter van enables us to get 38 miles per gallon. The built-in generator powers an air conditioner and a heater to keep the dogs comfortable in hot or cold weather. We had 21 custom crates, of multiple sizes, built into the van which will now allow us to rescue and train more dogs at one time (See pictures on page 12).

We've also finished construction that expanded our kennel capacity from 18 to 22 kennels, and we've hired a new Certified Trainer and two Apprentice Trainers, thus enabling us to train more dogs and to help more people.

Additionally, I recently had the distinct pleasure of attending the Camping World/Good Sam Rally in Phoenix, where DFD was presented with a \$5,684 donation! Since 1989, Good Sam Club – Camping World and its individual

members have been one of our most generous supporters. We are honored and grateful to be their charity of choice!

By the time you read this, I will have returned from a trip to Canada to visit with another training organization to consult with them on their successful Autism Assistance Dog program. The goal of this trip is to gather and to incorporate best practices. We're looking forward to helping children on the autism spectrum and their families in the near future.

As always, thank you very much to all of you—our donors, ambassadors, clients and volunteers. We appreciate your generous support of our organization.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Blake E. Matray".

Blake Matray
President & CEO



Blake presents the costume contest winner at The Rally Dog Show (Good Sam).



Danielle R. and Ginger

WE GET LETTERS

My 6-year-old daughter brought your envelope to me and asked me what it was. After explaining, she brought me her money she has stashed away and asked me to send it to you!

*Happy holidays,
Robin and Aria B., Oregon*

Thank you for the letter on Hattie's passing. It's always sad to have one so dear pass away and my prayers go to her beloved soulmate.

Thank you for the magazine I just received. I was so happy to see Ziggy's picture and to read about his new home. I know Rose is happy she tells me.

*Love,
Jan K., Washington*

Hattie was a beautiful, special dog. I was a kennel volunteer when she arrived at DFD and I had the joy of walking and playing with her. Blessings on all of you and your faithful work.

Jean. A., Oregon

Thank you for sending *The Canine Listener* magazine to me. While browsing through the pages I was so happy to see pictures of Smudge and Ziggy, two of the three dogs I have fostered. I feel so honored to be part of this program, knowing that I have helped in their transition to a forever home. I'm eagerly awaiting my next guest.

Thanks to all your staff for all the love and care they give our wonderful canine friends.

*Best to all in the New Year,
Alice K., Oregon*

When I applied to adopt a Career Change Dog I asked for a very smart and active dog. Well, I adopted Sushi and got all that and more.

The employees and volunteers at DFD are the best. They are devoted to their purpose and do a fantastic job with the dogs. I have gained friends through Sushi. I would especially like to thank Emily, Sushi's trainer, who worked diligently to find the perfect "furever" home for her. A special shout out to Lynn, who fostered Sushi.

Sushi remembers listening for the buzzing of timers, as she spins around and runs to the kitchen when the various timers go off. Sushi is very alert and knows when I change my normal routine something is up. She watches me closely and soon figures it out. She recognizes a large number of words and phrases and reacts to them. Sushi reminds me when it's time to feed the koi and when to go to bed. Sushi is my pride and joy.

Thanks to all for providing me with the perfect companion. Every day, Sushi puts a smile on my face and warms my heart. Sushi says, "Hi," to all her friends at DFD!
*A big thanks and best wishes to all,
Pat J., Oregon*



Smudge



Sushi

Happy Holidays to all! Cameron and I have been doubly blessed to have a second dog trained and nurtured by you all and we are so grateful for them both. Many, many thanks for all your good work. Ginger and I had a job change the end of this year, transferring from a one-doctor satellite location to a 20+ provider office. It has been a long time since I have worked in such a busy place, and the first time for me to take a service dog. Even with all the amazing things this professional Assistance Dog has proven time and time again, I worried about fitting in since my eavesdropping skills are terrible. I worried about my sweet lab, Ginger, getting in the way and slowing down the fast pace. I worried about frowns and disapproval from my misunderstandings of staff, parents, frightened patients, etc .

Needless to say, I wasted a lot of energy! Ginger puts a smile on the whole place, even following me to the mailboxes and back to our set of rooms. She is a favorite of the upstairs and downstairs staff alike and the lab staff loves to doggie sit. Of course, there are lots

of beepers in the lab so she loves to go there too. Not only does she help me with my patients, who often ask for her by name, but at least five other nurses have come to get her to help with an upset patient. The management staff has used her to help calm and negotiate communication misunderstandings. Ginger helped abort a meltdown between the psychologist's patient and her Dad. The other providers stop by to get a friendly wag, say hello, and get a boost of positive energy, which is so crucial for helping children.

Patients who did not want to drive an hour have come anyway because the other (closer) offices do not have me and Ginger. Many different co-workers have come and told me how much they like having us. Kids with fevers and frowns from illness have smiled and laughed over Ginger's friendly tail ... better than ibuprofen!

What a relief! God bless you all and know that your efforts send millions of ripples of positive energy to the world.

Danielle R., North Carolina



PLACEMENT HIGHLIGHTS

SLIM

Slim was placed as a Hearing Dog with Jane L. and “Wesley” the cat from New York state in January. Slim, a one-and-a-half-year-old Chihuahua/Aussie mix will alert Jane to the sounds of the telephone, door bell/door knock, smoke alarm, oven timer and alarm clock.

Jane is a successor client having two previous Hearing Dogs. Her first Hearing Dog, “Fritz,” was placed in 1982. “Elvis,” her second Hearing Dog, was placed in 1998 and passed away May of 2013. She has been lost since Elvis’ passing, as she counted on her Hearing Dog to alert her to sounds daily. She said she felt very vulnerable because she could not hear the sounds she needed to hear.

Jenny Nickelson, Slim’s trainer, said his placement with Jane went exceptionally well. He began working for her within the first two hours of being in her large, two-story home. Jane was so impressed with his cleverness and how enthusiastic he was to work all of the sounds.



Jane and Slim

Slim will join Jane at her job for a few hours each day, then have the opportunity to take the rest of the day off to snooze with his new feline buddy or play in his new massive back yard.

Jane is already very dependent on Slim and is so glad she can now sleep in peace, knowing Slim will be her ears for many years to come.

RUSTY

Found as a stray, we discovered Rusty at the Rogue Valley Humane Society. This little black and tan terrier mix is not quite two years old. He was placed as a Hearing

Dog for Doris W. in North Carolina. Rusty helps Doris take care of her 4-year-old granddaughter while he alerts her to the smoke alarm, doorbell, various timers and visitors knocking on the door.

Rusty





2015 DOG WALK



Join Dogs for the Deaf for our 24th Annual Dog Walk! For more than two decades, Dogs for the Deaf has hosted a Dog Walk for fun, to raise awareness about our important work, and to raise money to keep our mission going.

This year's Dog Walk theme is *Rockin' Rover*. Pooches of all sizes, shapes and colors will be on hand with their human partners for some doggone fun! The 24th Annual Dog Walk is being held on Saturday, May 30, 2015 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Activities will take place in Jacksonville, Oregon, at the Jacksonville Elementary School

and include a dog costume contest, a dog tricks contest, a poker walk, pet photos, raffles, education booths, dog demonstrations, Kids Zone, cash and product prizes, vendors and other activities. All ages, and all well-behaved dogs, will find something fun to do during Dog Walk. It's a great time to meet new friends, catch up with old ones, and show off your best *Rockin' Rover!*

Individuals can register for \$30 per person and bring two dogs, or \$25 per person in a "Pack" of four or more people. Dog Walk registration includes a t-shirt,

doggie bandanna, lunch, beverages, one raffle ticket, one poker playing card, a goodie bag, and all contest activities. To register for Dog Walk 2015, visit www.dogsforthe deaf.org/dog-walk.

Since 1977, Dogs for the Deaf has been rescuing dogs from shelters where they might otherwise be euthanized, and training them to become Certified Assistance Dogs for people throughout the United States. Our work is supported entirely through donations, grants and events like Dog Walk.

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Christy

Hearing Dog Christy: “Christy is such a sweet, well-behaved dog who has brought such joy over the years. March will be 12 working years together!”

Kelli Y., Nebraska

Hearing Dog Otto: Vincent F and his wife, Sally, live in Washington. Otto was recently trained on name call so Vincent can be out in the garden and his wife can call for him from the porch. They said that will save them a great deal of trouble and frustration in the future.



Scooter

Hearing Dog Scooter: Placed in 2011, it took a little while for Janice J. in Oregon, and Scooter’s bond and teamwork to fully connect. Now, they are great together. Scooter was sponsored by the Porsche Club of America – Chicago Region.

F O L L O W U P S

Hearing Dog Loops: Since 2011, Loops has been notifying Jodi A., of Washington to the door, phone, her name being called, the smoke alarm and the alarm clock. Jodi has taught Loops (nickname, Luke) several tricks. He enjoys showing off his silly antics and wonderful job performance.

Program Assistance Dog Nelson: “Nelson is very happy in the elementary school this year and has an even larger impact on everyone in the school. For the two weeks leading up to Valentine’s Day we all write letters to one another. The first graders are our mail carriers and we even buy stamps. Nelson got 30 letters and wrote back to all of the students!”

Janet V., Oregon



Lola

Hearing Dog Lola: Placed in 2007, Lola and Charlene M., Washington, have developed into an incredible team. They are completely in sync with each other. Their bond and connection is evident. You may recognize Lola as the American Humane Association's 2013 Hero Dog!

Hearing Dog Cherelle: Placed with Karen B. in 2008, Cherelle alerts Karen to the door bell, her name call, the oven timer, microwave, phone and smoke alarm. Karen says Cherelle brings her more security and a greater awareness of what is happening around her.



Glitter

Hearing Dog Glitter: Glitter attends the first meeting of the new Hearing Loss Association of America - Central Coast Chapter with her mom, Noni S. of California

Hearing Dog Orbit: Placed in 2010 with Jayne B., Oregon, Orbit and Jayne are a perfect pair. They are connected and able to communicate in a way that exceeds the training. The bond they have is very special.

Hearing Dog Tosh: Tosh alerts his owner Susan B., Oregon, to visitors at the door, the oven timer and the smoke alarm. Placed in 2007, Tosh continues to enthusiastically work sounds and his obedience commands. He recently had his first trip to the ocean where he enjoyed the waves and climbing on drift wood.



Orbit



Fizza

Hearing Dog Fizza: Susan H. and Fizza were visited by Dogs for the Deaf in February. This team has been together for a couple years and it was good to visit them to help them keep up on the training. Everyone is doing well!



Raylene

Hearing Dog Raylene: “She’s such a good companion, of course great partner, but also she’s good-natured and smart. She’s been a great comfort during a stressful, cold winter with many medical appointments. She brings a smile to both of us always.” Chris and Bob G., North Carolina



Riena

Hearing Dog Riena: Living with Dolores M. in Tennessee, Riena has had a successful first year in her new home. “Riena is doing a good job working sounds, is very loving and sweet. She seems to know when I’m upset and comes to comfort me,” Dolores said.

Hearing Dog Rio: Placed with Christen S. in Tennessee since 2011, Rio is a successor dog for Christen who “missed her ears” after the death of her first DFD dog, Hobbit. Rio was a hero when the carbon monoxide alarm went off and she alerted Christen, even though it was a new sound for which Rio had not been formally trained.



Rio



DJ

Hearing Dog DJ: Placed in Alabama six years ago, DJ continues to support Jim B. and his family in ever-expanding ways. Jim said DJ is great with their grandchildren and alerted him when a visiting family member had a seizure in the middle of the night. By “looking through DJ’s ears,” Jim said he always knows what’s going on because he can tell where DJ’s ears are focused. “DJ is the best thing that happened to me,” Jim said.



Meg

Hearing Dog Meg: Placed with Lona J. in Washington, in 2006, Meg continues to provide sound awareness, reassurance and companionship. Together, they travel and enjoy shopping for quilting supplies, Lona’s favorite hobby.



NEW YEAR NEW IMPROVEMENTS

Take a peek at how we are putting your donations to good use:

1. Purchased a new van with a generator to keep 21 dogs warm or cool on long road trips while training or searching for dogs.
2. Expanded our kennel facility to house more dogs.
3. Added new trailer apartments for our trainers to provide a home-like training environment for the dogs.
4. Added a dog run (Good Sams and the Powell Foundation) and scenic overlook for visitors to observe the dogs in our beautiful setting.
5. Created a Career Change Dog office and adoption area so adopters can meet their potential new family member in a comfortable, casual setting.
6. Constructed a new Hearing Dog training apartment and demonstration room through a first-ever crowdfunding campaign so visitors can see our dogs in action!
7. Continued landscaping the Field of Memories.





Top Photo: Pat R. enjoys the view of Mount McLoughlin every week when she walks dogs. Tucker and Pat enjoyed an unseasonably warm day earlier this year.

Inset Photo: John R., shown walking Papaya, walks dogs every week. He has been volunteering with Dogs for the Deaf for more than six years.

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

VOLUNTEERING IS GOOD FOR YOUR HEALTH!

We love our volunteers who walk the dogs every day at our kennel facility, but we're pretty sure the dogs love them more! April is Volunteer Appreciation month, and we have to send a big "paws up" to our volunteers who make the trip out to beautiful Lower Table Rock to exercise all the dogs in training. To learn more about volunteering with Dogs for the Deaf, call Linda Kendrick at 800-990-3647, Ext. 324 or go to www.dogsforthe deaf.org/volunteer.

FESTIVAL OF TREES VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Dogs for the Deaf will once again be showcased at the Providence Festival of Trees that is attended by nearly 20,000 people every year. The 23rd annual event will open its doors Dec. 3 – 7 to a holiday wonderland in the Medford Armory. This community holiday celebration and tradition features stunning Christmas trees and displays decorated by local businesses, interior designers, florists and other talented people.

The festival also features an assortment of holiday decorations, including designer tabletop trees and mini trees, wreaths, fireplace mantels and displays. During the past 22 years, Providence Festival of Trees has raised more than \$7 million to benefit the programs and services of Providence Medford Medical Center.

If you would like to help decorate the Dogs for the Deaf tree, please contact Candy Hughes at chughes4@charter.net or 541-471-9171.



Career Change Dogs are wonderful dogs who are happy and healthy but just not suited to working for a living. In fact, approximately 75 percent of the dogs who start training do not complete the program. These dogs make loving pets and companions and are looking for their forever homes.

Each of these dogs have been screened for temperament, provided medical care, have been spayed/neutered, vaccinated, microchipped and put on a high quality, nutritious diet.

We do not charge for our Career Change Dog adoptions, but we gladly take donations.

Because Dogs for the Deaf is located in southern Oregon, Career Change Dogs are usually adopted to homes within a two-hour driving distance of our facility. If you live outside the area, we encourage you to visit your local animal shelter when looking for a dog to add to your family.

If you are interested in adopting a Career Change Dog, you can download an application from our website at www.dogsforthe deaf.org/career-change-dogs or call the office and we can send you an application. You will be contacted by our staff when we have a dog that might be right for you. Our primary concern is to find the most suitable match for both the dog and the new owner.

If you have questions about our Career Change Dog program, or about adoptable dogs, please call us at 1-800-990-3647 or (541) 826-9220.

CAREER CHANGE DOGS



(Above) **Redd:** This calm, sweet and intelligent boy is fitting right into his new Oregon home with Karen S. and resident dog and cats. Here he shows off a sweater his mom made.



(Above) **Maurice:** Initially placed in 2008, Maurice's partner had to move into assisted living. He is now enjoying retirement with two other dogs to play with and a big yard. – Erlene M., Oregon



(Above) Tucker: (formerly Loni)
 “Tucker is doing so great! He is Terry’s constant companion around the park and on errands. We also got a 50-foot leash so we can all run together across the big old lawn.”
 – Suzanne H., Oregon



(Above) Tilly: “You have brought joy back into my life with my sweet little Tilly and I couldn’t be more pleased. She is just perfect for me and has already made many friends here. Thank you from the bottom of my heart!” – Diana T., Oregon



Milo retires as DFD trainer
 After years of training our Hearing Dogs to behave appropriately around cats, Milo (above) the 13-year-old calico, retired just in time for the holidays. Always cool, calm and collected, Milo has earned the right to lounge on her own chair on a deck overlooking the Rogue River with Nancy and Joe S.



(Above) Katy: “One year ago today we adopted our little Bailey Katy Abigail Milner. The time has passed quickly and we three are very happy together.”
 – Margy M., Oregon



(Above) Jackey: “She is my best buddy. I could not have asked for a better dog. Her best friend that she sees every day is Pat’s dog Sushi (also from DFD). She has her Beagle nose and Dachshund bark. Anything that moves! LOL! She is well-trained as her regimen which she follows 90 percent of the time unless a cat runs, then it’s full steam ahead! You folks are to be commended.” – John M., Oregon

Sampson, rescued from a local shelter, (below) has moved into Milo’s role as the resident feline distraction. He takes his new job in stride, however, and never breaks a sweat, even though he is greatly outnumbered!



(Above) Bella: Barbara J. and her daughter Angel of Oregon missed having a dog. When they met Bella, it was love at first sight. Bella is enjoying sleeping in the bed and running in her new big yard.





TRAINER SPOTLIGHT

MEET OUR NEWLY CERTIFIED TRAINERS

Becoming a Certified Assistance Dog Trainer at Dogs for the Deaf is no easy task. It takes no less than 6,240 hours of training to earn the distinction. From kennel operations to dog selection, training and placement, apprentices have to learn the entire process from nose to tail. Before receiving their certification, trainers must successfully train and place three Hearing Dogs.

“The hardest part for me was learning how to handle the dog, the clicker, the treat, and make it one easy motion,” said Chelsey West-Esparza who recently achieved her Certified Assistance Dog Trainer title at Dogs for the Deaf.

“To really get the flow, juggle the timing and mark the right behavior is so important for the dogs to know what we need and get it spot on! If

you’re a couple seconds late, the dogs could develop a new behavior that you’re not looking for.”

Chelsey started her apprenticeship at Dogs for the Deaf in 2012 after working at the Southern Oregon Humane Society for eight years. She is a native of the Rogue Valley.

“Placing the dogs is the best feeling of accomplishment,” Chelsey said. “Getting the dog all the way through, placing it with



*Jenny and JoJo
Inset: Jenny and Otto*

As a Certified Assistance Dog Trainer, Jenny's looking forward to applying her special brand of creativity to her training techniques. Additionally, the apprentice training program at Dogs for the Deaf contributed to her professional development in ways Jenny did not expect.

"I've built up a lot of confidence, especially speaking in front of large groups of people," Jenny said. "I had always struggled with that and was always embarrassed. But now, I can be thrown into a situation where I have to speak to 30 or 300 people and I can do it. I like public speaking now."

Chelsey, who recently gave birth to her first child, joked about how it's probably easier to train dogs through behavior modification techniques, than it is to raise a child.

Chelsey and Jackson

"I'm looking forward to having my little girl and coming back to work and training dogs again," Chelsey said. "I'm excited to get up and come to work. It's nice to have a job where if you are feeling down, these dogs are so happy to see you and it makes your day, turns it around."

Combined, Jenny and Chelsey have already trained and placed 12 dogs for Dogs for the Deaf. As Certified Assistance Dog Trainers, they are each responsible for training seven dogs at a time.

"The most rewarding part to me is helping people," Jenny said. "I get to meet people I never would've come into contact with in a million years and have a lifelong relationship with them. That is the biggest thing for me. I want to expand my knowledge of dogs and continue to learn as much as I can, so I can train and help as many people as possible."



the client and seeing how much happiness it brings to them is exciting to see."

Jenny Nickelson, originally from Louisiana, also joined the Dogs for the Deaf lineup in 2012. Already certified in obedience training and running her own business, she decided to expand her skillset to Assistance dogs.

"It was a lot to learn and really different coming from a private training background to a facility," Jenny said. "I used to get pretty attached to the dogs, but now that I've been doing it for two years, I realize the end product is the most important thing."



ANDREA ARDEN

HOW TO TRAIN A DOG OR CAT TO LET YOU CLIP THEIR NAILS

My little dog Nora and I were spending the day working at Animal Haven Shelter (OK, I was working and she was romping around interspersed with periods of lounging), when I decided to take a break and spend a bit of time on grooming her. She likes to stick with the scruffy, little terrier look, so I focused on a bath and trimming her nails.

As Nora sat in front of me on the floor of the grooming room and daintily held her paw out for me, one of the shelter volunteers commented on how calm she was about having her nails clipped, “She almost seems to like it!” she exclaimed. While this would be a moment that would make any pet parent (especially a pet parent who is also a dog trainer) proud, I felt I had to be honest and point out that while Nora is about as mannerly

as one could hope for when she is being groomed, she doesn't actually enjoy having her nails clipped. However, she has certainly learned to tolerate it very well. As a result the whole process goes by quickly and she can get back to romping around without the clickety-clack sound so many dogs make when their nails are in need of a trimming.

The volunteer asked me how I taught her to handle what is, for most dogs anyway, a potentially very stressful and unpleasant part of grooming. I explained that I took the easy route to teaching Nora, and all of my animals, to calmly tolerate nail trimmings. I set aside five minutes every day for a month to work on it.

The volunteer looked at me with what can best be described as a, “I wish I had never asked,” look. I guess setting aside five minutes a day for a month to teach a dog or a cat something sounds like a big time commitment to some people. But, the way I see it is, I hope for my animals to each be in my life for about 15 years (hopefully more!). So, two and a half hours or so to help them learn to be comfortable with what is a vital part of their health (nails that are allowed to grow too long are susceptible to breakage, can affect the structure of the foot, make walking difficult and painful, and even potentially play a part in arthritis) is a very small amount of time to give to their well-being.

There are two options for trimming a dog or cat’s nails: clippers or a grinding tool such as a Dremel. I prefer to use clippers, but some animals take more easily to the grinding tool so it is worth trying both.

Prior to introducing your dog or cat to these tools, it is best to spend some time getting them used to simply having their paws handled. With Nora, I not only set aside those five minutes each day where I would touch a paw and then give her a bit of her meal or a special treat (this way having

her paw touched came to indicate to her that she was about to get something good), but whenever I was snuggling with her on the couch or bed I would make a point to play with her feet.

When I feel the dog or cat is tolerant of paw handling, I place the intended tool near them as I do so. This way they begin to gradually become accustomed to what is a novel item. After a few sessions I start to touch the tool to their paw without actually using it. I just want them to start thinking of the tool as a sign that they are about to get something tasty. I also tilt the odds of this happening in my favor by planning these sessions just prior to meal time.

The first nail clip is usually very easy since the dog or cat may not have experienced it before and hopefully doesn’t have pre-conceived notions about the experience by someone clipping the nail too short. I always make sure to take the tiniest sliver off with the first clip. Not only does this ensure avoiding the quick (the part of the nail that is full of blood vessels and that will bleed if cut), but it also means I have left a bit of nail that I can repeat the process with the next day.

I tend to focus on clipping just one nail a day to begin. It keeps the process brief, and again, allows me the opportunity to repeat the process on that or a different nail throughout the week. This brief, repetitive approach is a terrific way to build a strong learning muscle in your dog that nail clipping isn’t such a bad thing after all.

Once the dog or cat is calm and tolerant of this “one nail a day

process” (I usually give this a month), I might start clipping two or more in a session. But, this depends on the individual animal’s personality. At this point I have also usually moved on from taking the tiniest sliver of a nail clipping to taking off enough to require just one or two clips for each nail. For many people, sticking with small sliver clippings is preferable as it better ensures you won’t cut the nail quick. However, I am especially brave with my animals since they are so calm during the process, and I have been doing this for years. So, even for my dog Moka, who has all black nails, I can accurately gauge the appropriate spot to cut. For dogs or cats with lighter colored nails this is fairly easy as you can see the live part of the nail (the quick). No matter how experienced or confident you are with nail clipping it is wise to keep styptic powder on hand which can be used if the quick is cut.

Even if you don’t feel you are confident enough to clip your dog or cat’s nails, I suggest working to help them become comfortable with nail clipping so that it is easier and less stressful when you take them to the groomer or veterinarian to have it done. Your dog and the person responsible for their pawdicures will thank you for it.



Andrea Arden is currently on Animal Planet’s hit shows Dogs101, Cats101, Pets101, America’s Cutest Dog and America’s Cutest Cat, and was the trainer for Underdog to Wonderdog and The Pet Department, FX’s Emmy-award-winning daily show. Andrea can also be seen on Live with Kelly & Michael, The Today Show, 20/20, Dateline NBC, The View, CBS News, CNN, Fox, PBS, Fox News and Lifetime.

FUNDRAISER NOTES



A New Way to Fly

Sylvia and Gordon L. of Washington state have seen the world. But, the avid travelers recently retired their suitcases and wondered what to do with all those extra airline miles.

Gordon, the self-described “dog nut” knew exactly what to do—give the miles to Dogs for the Deaf. The couple has been supporting our mission for 25 years through various donations.

“We’re at an age where it’s difficult to fly anymore,” Gordon said. “I wanted to give people ideas of different ways to give and support Dogs for the Deaf. As long as I continue using my credit card with Alaska Airlines, you’ll be getting my mileage every month. It all helps.”

Dogs for the Deaf is using the donated miles to attend conferences, present demonstrations, and educate the public about our services all over the country.

White Elephant for Dogs

Residents at Chestnut Park at Cleveland Circle senior living community in Brighton, Mass., conducted a White Elephant Sale on campus to raise money for Dogs for the Deaf. “I have been an advocate of DFD since 1977 and chose you to be the recipient due to your great work,” wrote Carol K., resident council secretary.

Kids Kick the Can in Florida

Pre-school students and staff in Beverly Hills, Fla., at Crystal River Pre-School Headstart have been collecting aluminum cans and donating the proceeds to Dogs for the Deaf since 2011. This year, they sent their biggest check ever! “To our 4 footed friends ... We hope all of you find good homes and people who will love you as well as you love them and care for them,” from the CRPS Headstart class. Thank you Miss Laurie and Miss Diana’s class for your support and the valuable lesson you’re teaching your students.

WoofTrax, Inc.

Dogs for the Deaf received our first check from WoofTrax! Thank you to all you walkers who are not only taking your dog for a walk, but you are also walking for dogs ... DFD dogs! As of February, 16 people walked 332 times for 547 miles. Donations are linked directly to the number of people actively walking for Dogs for the Deaf. Download the app on your smart phone, keep track of your activities, mileage and other like-minded DFD walkers! www.WoofTrax.com



Be Brave!

Carolynn R. of Delaware is working on her Girl Scout Silver Award. She elected to help out Dogs for the Deaf by setting up a page to sell Deaf Awareness bracelets through Bravelets™. For every bracelet sold, \$10 will be donated to Dogs for the Deaf. Please view her site at: <https://www.bravelets.com/bravepage/carolynn-s-silver-award>

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Claire, Grant and A.J.

GRANDCHILDREN RAISE FUNDS

NEBRASKA SAMs, GRANDCHILDREN RAISE FUNDS FOR DOGS FOR THE DEAF

By Kimberly Miller, DFD Donor Services

Barbara U., a member of the Logan Valley Sams, a chapter of the Good Sam Club of Nebraska, recently shared how she loves to spend time with her grandchildren. During the last couple years, the children have become aware of many charitable needs in their community and like to help out. Consequently, the children utilize their musical and singing talents by performing at various nursing homes and for seniors confined to their homes. In particular, they like to sing for a veteran who lives in an old grain storage shed that has been converted into a small apartment.

When the children were asked why they like to sing Grant said, "I sing because it makes the people happy." Claire said, "It made people happy and it makes me proud for them." While A.J. said, "It gives hope for people."

Barbara said that all three children are excellent students, and are involved in many school activities. Grant plays the viola, bells and snare drums, while Claire takes piano lessons. A.J. loves all sports, excels at writing, and is funny. Last year, Claire and Grant received citizenship awards from their class.

During the children's musical performances, they are often given money as a token of appreciation. In turn, the children donate these funds to different charitable organizations such as their local fire department, St. Johns Luthern Church and one of the Logan Valley Sams charities

of choice, Dogs for the Deaf. In addition, the children like to perform for friends, family, and nonprofit organizations. For example, they have performed for the Logan Valley Sams, McDonald's, credit unions, and even a local bar during their "coffee-hour only" time!

When I heard about these compassionate and talented children we just had to share their story with our readers. It's no wonder that their grandmother loves to spend time with them! Their parents must be very proud. Many thanks to the Logan Valley Sams, Barbara U., Grant B., Claire B., and A.J. B., for all that you do!

CLUB NEWS

Once again it is time for me to provide the final reckoning for Sam's Radio Hams donations to DFD. Our donation this year is less than we hoped, but our membership is less than what it was 10 years ago. I am proud of our members for stepping up to the plate at our annual holiday raffle... according to my records, SRH has turned in donations totaling \$4,278 in 2014.

Thank you for your assistance during the past year. On behalf of Sam's Radio Hams, I wish you and all the staff at Dogs for the Deaf, a joyous holiday season and a happy and prosperous 2015.

Sincerely,
Roger K., Sam's Radio Hams,
Orange, Calif.

Enclosed please find a check for \$25 in memory of Mr. Rex Pelker. Our Grand Redland #796, donates to this organization instead of other options. Mr. Pelker was a wonderful husband and father and we are sure he would approve of this donation. Thank you for all the work you do with people and animals. Your organization has changed many lives.

Shirlye G., Redland Grange #796,
Oregon City, Ore.

It is the purpose of the Fun Seeker's Good Sam Chapter to operate a social organization to promote the use and enjoyment of recreational vehicles and outdoor fellowship among its members through trips and group activities. This chapter maintains an attitude which is strictly non-sectarian, non-partisan, non-sectional, and non-racial, and shall be

dedicated to bringing together people interested in the ideals and principles of the International Good Sam Recreational Vehicle Club. Fun Seeker's is a non-profit organization and takes pride in donating its monies earned through fund drives to deserving organizations such as yourselves. Please accept the enclosed donation of \$250.

Very truly yours,
Herbert M., treasurer, Fun Seeker's,
Frankford, Del.

Please find the enclosed check in the amount of \$250 from the Ashland Lions Club. This donation is made in recognition and support of the contributions Dogs for the Deaf makes in the quality of the lives of its clients, the clients' families and the dogs it saves. It is a pleasure to support an organization that brings independence and happiness to so many.

Sincerely,
Pete N., Treasurer, Ashland, Ore.

The enclosed donation is being provided by the Diablo Bounders RV Club of Northern California. We have established a charity fund within our organization. Annually, the members decide how to disburse the funds collected through the year to charities of interest to our group. One of our members, Jim and Nancy P., have expressed an interest in supporting your organization. The \$423.30 donation provided in this letter is given in their name and that of the Diablo Bounders.

R. Ward., Treasurer, Sunol, Calif.

On behalf of the "James River Sams," enclosed is our check in the amount of \$100. We are confident that you will put his donation to good use as you continue to serve people in need.

Sincerely,
Linda T., James River Sams,
Forest, Va.

This year, the Apple Blossom Good Sams chose to give to Dogs for the Deaf rather than exchange Christmas gifts. Enclosed is a check of \$800.75 to be used by DFD wherever it is most needed. Wishing you and your fellow staff a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Sincerely yours,
Edwin T., president, Milton-Freewater
Apple Blossom Good Sams,
Walla Walla, Wash.

Please find enclosed a check in the amount of \$235.55 for our 2014 donation for Dogs for the Deaf. This donation is from the Central Coast Sam's Chapter of the Southern California Good Sam's Club. We are proud to support your worthwhile organization and recognize the important work you do to help in the lives of the hearing impaired is truly a blessing to all involved.

Sincerely,
Emma S., treasurer, Central Coast
Sam's ID #945, Santa Maria, Calif.

Merry Christmas. Please find enclosed a check for \$500. Our camping group donation for 2014 to DFD.

Katie T., secretary,
Foxchase Sams, Va.

On behalf of the Gold Nugget Sams of Tuolumne County, please accept the enclosed check in the amount of \$250 as a symbol of appreciation for the support

and assistance you provide to hearing impaired individuals. We commend you for all that you do for them and hope that this small token will somehow be used in very special ways.

*Thank you and sincerely,
Betsy P., treasurer, Gold Nugget Sams,
Sacramento, Calif.*

Please find enclosed a check for \$1,500. We would like this to be used for the training of your dogs. We have earned this money at our 8th Annual Campout for Charity, held in Iroquois County, Illinois.

*Thank you,
Gerald H., President, and Jim L., chairman,
Campout for Charity*

Please accept this donation of \$100 from the Oil City Sams RV chapter located in Odessa, Texas. It is with great pleasure and appreciation that we send this check to you. Dogs for the Deaf provides a wonderful, much needed service to both individuals and communities. Thank you for the work you and your organization do. Oil City Sams is proud to support Dogs for the Deaf. Happy Thanksgiving and my God bless your work.

*Sincerely,
Dolly T., treasurer, Oil City Sams, Chapter 91,
Odessa, Texas*

Enclosed are two personal checks that are donations to DFD. Marilyn H. is the companion of a Sam's Radio Hams member. She is well aware of the good work ongoing at Dogs for the Deaf, and at a recent campout, gave me the check and requested that I pass it on to DFD. The other check is on my account, but simply represents cash that was given to me as a donation from a member. Sam's Radio Hams wishes you, and the rest of the staff at Dogs for the Deaf, a Happy Thanksgiving and a joyous holiday season.

*Best regards,
Roger K., W6SQQ, DFD chairperson, Sam's Radio Hams
Chapter of The Good Sam Club*

As a sign of So-We-Go-Sam's support to your organization's cause, we have enclosed a check in the amount of \$150. We are thankful that organizations such as yours are present and are providing assistance where needed.

*Sincerely,
Judi K., treasurer, Mineral, Va.*



2014 Good Sam Miracle Makers Awards

Happy Tails - \$1,000 or Above

Chapter	State
Good Sam Tundra Rollers	Alaska
Happy Hobos	N. California
Sams Radio Hams	S. California
Good Sam Seahorse #SS	Florida
Norwega Sams	Georgia
Caldwell Ramblers	Idaho
Kaveman Travelers	Idaho
Prairie States Sams	Illinois
Logan Valley Sams	Nebraska
Trail Ousters	Oregon
Clackamas Campers	Oregon
Polk About Sams	Oregon
Blue Mountain Sams	Oregon
Blue Mountain Sam's #31	Pennsylvania
Foxchase Sams	Virginia
Three Rivers Sams	Washington
Canyon Sams	Washington
Skagit Sams	Washington

Top Ten States

Ranking	State
1	Oregon
2	Washington
3	S. California
4	Idaho
5	N. California
6	Texas
7	Nebraska
8	Florida
9	Virginia
10	Georgia

Please accept this donation of \$100 from Delaware Good Sam Club. It is our pleasure to be able to continue donating to such a worthy cause.

*Sincerely,
Jean M., treasurer, DE Good Sam, Laurel, Del.*

Please accept our donation to Dogs for the Deaf in memory of our beloved member R.W. Coon. R.W. passed away on Jan. 2. R.W. and his wife, Shirley, had been members of Dogwood Sams Chapter since 1991. Due to his failing health they had been honorary members since 2012. Enclosed you will find our current member roster. Thank you and God bless you for the work you do.

*Respectfully,
Mary L., treasurer, Palestine, Texas*

CLUB NEWS

Attached, find a check for \$670.39 from the Colorado Good Sams. We recently had our Samboree and had an auction, sold stars and a book sale. All these monies from these items were divided between two charities which were chosen by the Colorado Chapters.

Yours truly,

*Norma E., Colorado state treasurer,
Elizabeth, Colo.*

The Traildusters Chapter of Oregon Good Sams is pleased to enclose this check in the amount of \$1,255.37. May your holidays be happy.

Sincerely,

*Pat B., treasurer, Traildusters Chapter
of Oregon Good Sams, Falls City, Ore.*

Please find enclosed a donation of \$50 from the Narrow Gauge Good Sams Chapter of Southwest Colorado for 2014. We hope this small donation will help in some way to continue your good work. We currently have about 16 rigs and 32 members in this Good Sams Chapter.

Sincerely,

*Ollie M., treasurer, Narrow Gauge
Good Sams, Durango, Colo.*

At our last Samboree in Sedalia, Mo., the winner of our 50/50 raffle drawing announced that he and his wife wanted to donate their winnings of \$89.75 to Dogs for the Deaf. Those delightful folks were Mr. and Mrs. Bill U. There are but 12 of us and all of us are proud to be helping such a worthy cause. We thank you.

*Happy Campers, The Bug Duckers,
Carolyn M., treasurer, Good Sam Bug
Duckers Chapter, Wood River, Ill.*

I am attaching the list of donations that were given at the Fall Samboree for Good Sams of Florida in Eustis in November 2014. I am pleased to send \$2,996.75 in checks for 13 chapters listed below: Bay Area Sams, Citrus County Sams, Dogwood Sams, Golden Triangle Sams, Good Sam Seahorses, Jax Rambling Sams, North Florida Lifetime, Pasco Sams, Rolling Sams, South Florida Lifetime Sams, Sunset Ramblers, Trail Blazing Sams.

Sincerely,

*Reba W., Dogs for the Deaf
liaison, Florida*

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OBITUARIES

It is with great sadness that we report the passing of any of the dogs we rescue, train and place. These wonderful friends have provided many years of faithful service and love. They will be fondly remembered by those who loved them and were part of their lives.

Sweep, Hearing Dog for Elizabeth S. in California for seven years.

Chiebe, Hearing Dog for Josephine B. in Florida for 12 years.

Gucci, Hearing Dog for Cydney C. in Utah for 14 years.

Ivy, Hearing Dog for Anthony M. in Oregon for 15 years.

Jack, Hearing Dog for Barbara O. in Arizona for 12 years.

Rosie, faithful companion to Chris Y. of Oregon and his family for three years.

Duffy, Career Change Dog, passed away Feb. 26, 2015.

Dixie Chick, Career Change Dog, passed away on Sept. 25, 2014.

Jing Men, Career Change Dog, passed away in September of 2013.



Above: Sweep

Below: Rosie



MEMORIAL TRIBUTES IN MEMORY OF PETS

We would like to pay tribute to those beloved, departed pets who have been remembered by their families.

SERVICE DOGS	Cache	Lady	Quintin Sterling Ross
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Hattie	Cassie	Luke	Rikki, Hootch and Lucy
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The Bunker Family cat	Chip and Dale	Margo	Sammy
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Alex and Ernie	Clinton and Poe	Max Dog and Jake Boy	Seamus
Annie and Dashiell	Cookie	Maxx	Shana, Popcorn and Shannon
April	D. J.	Maya	Shaq
Babe	Daisey	Minette	Shedd, Fridog, Thor, CoCo, Benson, and CoCo Weil
Bach	Daniel Tiger	Miss Annie	Spanky, Dandy and Pixie
Bailey	Dash	Miss Kitty, Wilbur, Sandy, and Mouse	Star
Bear	Divot	Molly	Stormy
Bear Bear and Tiger	Easy	Moose	Stretch
Beau	Gibbs	Ninja	Sunni
Benny, Callie, and Amber	Gilmore	Oreo	Tiny one and two
Bernie	Ginger	Panda	Tulip
Bogie Marie	Gracie	Penny	Whisper
Bonnie Blue, Coca, and Neisha	Haiku	Petie	Yon and Hunter
Brook	Holly	Phyllis and Cinders	Zoey
Brutus	Jackee	Pokie	
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	Jasmine	Quincy	
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...people and pets who have been honored by friends and relatives with a donation to DFD for a special occasion. These people and pets are very much alive, and the donation is honoring a special occasion or achievement. Special occasion cards from DFD are a great way to honor a special occasion or achievement in your favorite animal lover's life. It's easy to send one—just visit our website at dogsforthedeaf.org/special-donation to send yours today!

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Carla and Jeanette	Candy an Pablo Clausell	Al and Joan Harmer	Dr. Phyllis Rapport
Izzy and Lucy	Mr. and Mrs. Frank	Ann and Bob Hill	Ellen Rauch - Josh and Molly's wedding
Jack	Clements and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Smith	Hilda Hitchman - Christmas	Joshua Rauch and Molly Shepard's wedding
Jake and Becca	Denise and Craig Combs	Hayli Holmes - Christmas	Sandy Roberts
Jazzi	Luana Corbin's birthday	Jeannine Hubbard - Christmas	Ted, Becky, and Ryan Roberts
Leashes	Barbara Crank - Christmas	Barbara Kallman	Tom and Pat Roberts
Loki	Mettie Cummings	Art and Marilyn Keller and Bud and Leila Dumalt	Judi Rogerson
Millie	The Dahmen Family - Christmas	Edward Kiss	Candice Rood
Mocha	Emily Damon	Cate Layne	Cort Roop - Christmas
Mona	Carleton and Laurel DeTar - Christmas	Charlie and Linda Lewis - Christmas	The Wedding of Daniel and Tammy Rosen
Nate and Michaela	Amy Dewey	Alan Lewis, D.V.M.	The Rosling family
Rocky	Arwen Dewey and Alejandro Acosta	Rick MacPherson	Beverly Rotert - Christmas
Ruby	Dee and Bob Douglas	John Malak	Sue and Dave Rush
Scooter	Leonard and Sandy Doweidt - Christmas	Ross and Delise Mark	Gwen Sharp
Scooter and Gigi	Jim and Renate Ehrhard - Christmas	Nelle McAlister - Christmas	Jim and Debbie Sharp - Christmas
Sean	Mr. and Mrs. Ben Estes' 50th anniversary	Larry Minor	Wendee and Bob Shuell
Studi	Margorie Evans' 97th birthday	Gail Muldoon	Virginia Sisak's 90th birthday
Emma Ahlgrim	Jay Garbose	Jill Nichol	Lexy Smith
Donna Albee	Debbie Gardner's birthday	Steph Noll	Libby Smith
Regan Bailey	Myrtle Glynn and her Hearing Dog, Doris	Dixie Partee - Christmas	Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Smith
The Ballou Family	Kelly Gonzales	The Paulissen Family - Christmas	Robbie Stephens and Snickers
Sharon Bass	Allison Gray	Jim and Nancy Pauly and the Diablo Bounders	Joanne Temperly's birthday
Patty Bednarik - Christmas	Nicholas Gray - Christmas	Good Sams	Mr. and Mrs. Bill Usher
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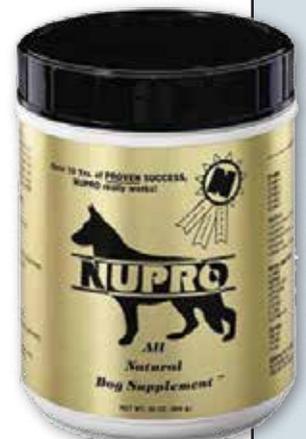
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DOGS FOR THE DEAF SUN SHADE

During the “Dog Days” of summer, keep your car cool with our Dogs for the Deaf sun shade. This 63” x 30” spring loop, dual circle, auto sun shade with elastic strap is collapsible for easy storage.

#SU SUNSHADE.....\$20.00 (SET OF 2)



THE BEST THINGS IN LIFE ARE RESCUED

Show your support for DFD in this comfortable 100% cotton, Hanes Beefy-T. Our new “The Best Things in Life are Rescued” logo is on the front & our programs are listed on the back. This white tee is perfect for both men and women.

CL BSTTHNGT WHI- (white)
Available in sizes S-XL.....\$15.00



ATTENTION ALL CHEFS!

DFD’s official apron has pockets across the bottom and is great to use for everything from BBQ’ing to crafts. This apron comes in Natural color and has our logo with the words “Everything Tastes Better with Dog Hair!”

#CL Apron 1SZ..... \$16.25



DFD LOGO CAP

100% cotton twill 6 panel “hugger” shape cap. Has cloth back strap with tri-glide buckle and tuck-in. Our DFD logo is embroidered on the front with “Dogs for the Deaf” curved back vent embroidery. Comes in 2 different colors with 3 different front logo styles!

#CP BBALL KHA - Khaki cap/brown embroidery
#CP BBALL NVY - Navy cap/Aqua embroidery
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One size.....\$10.00

ALL EARS TOTE BAG

This PAWsome dual-tone shoulder tote with top zipper closure comes in royal blue, red and black. The tote also has a front pocket with zipper closure and mesh side pocket perfect for holding a water bottle. With our great DFD “I’m All Ears” graphic on the front pocket, this tote is handy for travel, play or work. 15” tall x 17” wide



#SU EARSTOTE BLK - **Black**
#SU EARSTOTE RED - **Red**.....\$15.00
#SU EARSTOTE BLU - **Blue**

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